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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
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FREDERIK H. VAN DER STEEN)
Serial No. 10/621,816) Group Art Unit: 1621
Filed July 17, 2003)
PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF A) October 11, 2004
HIGHLY LINEAR ALCOHOL COMPOSITION)

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Sir:

PETITION UNDER RULE 1.78(a)(3)

As stated in the amendment filed concurrently herewith, the Applicant believes that the amendment made in the patent application transmittal form was made according to the proper procedure at the time. However, if the Examiner finds that it was not made according to the proper procedure, then the Applicant wishes consideration of this Petition Under Rule 1.78(a)(3).

The undersigned recently became aware that the old practice of being able to insert a cross reference to a prior U.S. application by requesting such in the patent application transmittal form was changed by the new amendment practice effective July 30, 2003. It was at this time that the undersigned reviewed this patent application and found out that patent publication US2004/0019124 did not include the required cross reference to the divisional application serial number 10/167,209 even though it had been requested at the time of filing in the transmittal form. The undersigned states that this error to include a preliminary amendment along with the filing was unintentional and that the entire delay in submitting this amendment was unintentional. The

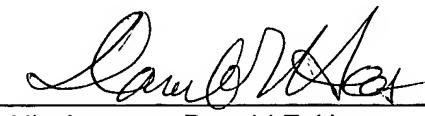
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Applicant requests that the amendment of the specification in the amendment filed concurrently herewith be accepted.

The Applicant requests that the fee for filing this petition and any fee/surcharge required for late filing of the amendment to include the cross reference to the prior application be charged to Shell Oil Company Deposit Account 19-1800.

Respectfully submitted,

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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL
UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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1. This application is a(n):
 - a. Original
 - b. Continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. _____ filed _____
 - c. Divisional of Application Serial No. 10/167,209 filed June 11, 2002
 Applicant(s) elect the invention of Group/Species _____
 - d. Continuation of Application Serial No. _____ filed _____
2. Specification
 - a. Pages 28
 - b. Drawings, Total sheets _____
3. Oath or Declaration
 - a. Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. Copy from a prior application
 Please delete the following named inventors in the prior application: _____
4. Please amend the specification
 - a. By inserting before the first line:
This is a continuation division continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 10/167,209 filed June 11, 2002, the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference
 - b. By inserting before the first line:
This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. _____ filed _____, the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference
 - c. Cancel claims 1-19
5. This application claims the benefit of Application Number _____ filed on _____ in _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 119, § 365(a), or § 365(b). (For originals)
6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. Recognize as an associate attorney _____, Registration No. _____

8. Address all future communications to:

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9. Fee Transmittal (duplicate enclosed)

(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	1 - 20 =	0	X \$18.00 =	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	1 - 3 =	0	X \$84.00 =	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))		0	+ \$280.00 =	0
			BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))	\$750.00
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11. The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge all additional required fees or to credit overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-1800, including fees required under 37 CFR 1.17

12. Accompanying Application Parts

- a. Recordal of Assignment and Assignment
- b. Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449
- c. Preliminary Amendment
- d. A self-addressed, stamped return receipt postcard to be returned with the filing date and Serial No. thereon
- e. Certified copy of priority documents

Respectfully submitted,

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